



discovering that one particular shape has certain new, useful and unexpected results in a sliding application. Hanes recognizes mushroom shape hooks as equivalent to J-shaped hooks. Yet no one had thought of applying same to a sliding application. Our Specification 5 related the experiment carried out on a one inch strip being pulled sideways, refer to page 9, lines 11 to 19, "even a strong pull from an average male adult was not sufficient to release the strap from the felt"...

4. Other features are revealed in the specification, namely on page 9, 10 line 23, an..."even adhesive film surface to the face which will be installed to the bottom of the furniture legs"... And further, on line 24 "...the center of the felt pad is now reinforced"....and on line 4, page 10, "...the top and bottom sections of the resulting material keep the desired characteristics"...the reason, going back to line 25, page 9 "to 15 leave an upper surface which may be grabbed by the Velcro members, and a lower surface which is soft and delicate to protect the finish of the floors from scratches"...Hanes adds low melt fibers (62) to felt (60) to increase gripping power; the problem is it reduces softness of felt; it increases abrasiveness which can scratch a floor. Indeed there 20 are no low melt fibers in the center hardened section, and such feature is now included in the claims.

5. The above further restrictions of the mushroom shape hooks define a new, useful, unexpected and distinct combination.

ARGUMENTS

25 None of the prior-art floor protector system devices can provide these new and unexpected results. Since the novel above physical features of applicant's device provide new and unexpected results over any reference, applicant submits that these new results indicate unobviousness and henceforth patentability. Accordingly applicant respectfully requests 30 reconsideration and allowance of the present Application.

I hereby declare that no new matter has been added nor any technical information that was not present in my application as originally filed. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the Application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

10 Applicant respectfully requests that timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

15 Respectfully submitted,


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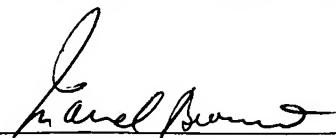
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